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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re application of: Watson et al.

Attorney Docket No.: NIKOP002

Application No.: 09/870,881

Examiner: Johnston, Phillip A

Filed: May 30, 2001

Group: 2881

Title: CANTILEVER RETICLE STAGE FOR  
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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

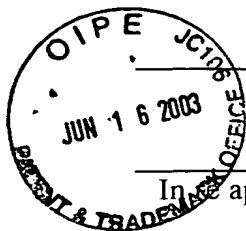
Amendments to the claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	32	MINUS	27	5	x 9 =	x 18 = 90
Independent Claims	6	MINUS	4	2	x 42 =	x 84 = 168
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
Total					\$	\$258.00

- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ Enclosed is our Check No. 19018 in the amount of \$258.00 to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
- ☒ Enclosed is our Check No. 19017 in the amount of \$220.00 to cover the two Terminal Disclaimer fees.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NIKOP002).

Respectfully submitted,  
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